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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Biological and Environmental Research Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Office of Science, Department of Energy

ACTION: Notice of Open Meeting

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Biological and Environmental Research Advisory Committee (BERAC). The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Monday, March 3, 2014, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Tuesday, March 4, 2014, 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Gaithersburg Marriott Washingtonian Center, 9751 Washingtonian Boulevard, Gaithersburg, MD 20878.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. David Thomassen, Designated Federal Officer, BERAC, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Science, Office of Biological and Environmental Research, SC-23/Germantown Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585-1290. Phone 301-903-9817; fax (301) 903-5051 or email: david.thomassen@science.doe.gov. The most current information concerning this meeting can be found on the Web site: http://science.energy.gov/ber/berac/meetings/.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Meeting: To provide advice on a continuing basis to the Director, Office of Science of the Department of Energy, on the many complex scientific and technical issues that

arise in the development and implementation of the Biological and Environmental Research

Program.

Tentative Agenda Topics

• Report from the Office of Biological and Environmental Research

• News from the Biological Systems Science and Climate and Environmental Sciences

Divisions

• Discussion of the Response to the Committee of Visitors Report

• Environmental Molecular Sciences Laboratory (EMSL) Update

• BERAC Discussion on Future Directions

• Science Talks

New Business

• Public Comment

Public Participation: The day and a half meeting is open to the public. If you would like to

file a written statement with the Committee, you may do so either before or after the meeting. If

you would like to make oral statements regarding any of the items on the agenda, you should

contact David Thomassen at the address or telephone number listed above. You must make your

request for an oral statement at least five business days before the meeting. Reasonable provision

will be made to include the scheduled oral statements on the agenda. The Chairperson of the

Committee will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Public comment

will follow the 10-minute rule.

Minutes: The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying

within 45 days at the BERAC Web site: http://science.energy.gov/ber/berac/meetings/berac-

minutes/.

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